

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA AND PUBLIC HEARING
October 2, 2013**

Chairman Jerry Uebelhor called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals to order at 6:30 p.m. Vice Chairman Brad Schnarr took roll call as follows:

Jerry Uebelhor, Chairman	-Present	Randy Mehringer	-Present
Brad Schnarr, Vice Chairman	-Present	Bob Cook	-Present
Josh Gunselman, Secretary	-Absent	Darla Blazey, Director of Community Development / Planning	-Present
		Renee Kabrick, City Attorney	-Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Uebelhor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the September 4, 2013 Regular Meeting were reviewed. Randy Mehringer made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. Bob Cook seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

STATEMENT

Chairman Uebelhor read the following statement. "We are now ready to begin the public hearings scheduled for this evening. With respect to tonight's meeting and public hearings, we are hereby incorporating by reference into the record of tonight's meeting and public hearings, City of Jasper Ordinance Number 1993-17, entitled "Zoning Ordinance of the City of Jasper, Indiana and its jurisdictional area" and any and all amendments thereto, and the City of Jasper Comprehensive Plan. Audio and videotapes of these proceedings are also incorporated by reference into this evening's record."

NEW BUSINESS

Petition of Gary and Jerilyn Budd for a variance from the general regulations of Section 16.02.130 (Setback Requirements) to build an addition onto the existing building within 25 feet of the front yard.

Nathan Waggner, of Cash Waggner and Associates, was present on behalf of Gary and Jerilyn Budd, owners of Eagle Crest Financial. The property is located at 3420 Newton Street. The Budds are requesting to construct an addition onto the existing building within 25 feet of the front yard. Plans are to add a reception area, a conference room and handicap accessible restrooms. Although there is currently ample parking, Mr. Budd said he intends to add more parking sometime in the near future.

Some discussion followed. With no remonstrators present, Bob Cook made a motion to close the public hearing. Vice Chairman Schnarr seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Vice Chairman Schnarr made a motion to grant a variance to build an addition to the existing building at 3420 Newton Street within 25 feet of the front yard. Randy Mehringer seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Petition of Michael J. Hochgesang for a variance from Section 16.035.050 (Residential Zoning Sign Standards) on the dimensions of an information sign.

Brad Eckerle, of Brosmer Land Surveying, was present on behalf of Michael Hochgesang to request a variance to erect a monument sign for his subdivision, Timber Creek II. The sign would be located at the southwest quadrant of Timber Creek Drive and County Road 150.

Mr. Eckerle displayed a rendering of the proposed sign and also showed some similar signs that are currently placed in other residential neighborhoods throughout the City. The sign measures 7ft. x 16ft. with an arched center. Mr. Hochgesang intends to place landscaping and lighting in front of the sign.

Discussion followed. With no remonstrators present, Bob Cook made a motion to close the public hearing. Vice Chairman Schnarr seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Vice Chairman Schnarr made a motion to grant a variance from Section 16.035.050 (Residential Zoning Sign Standards) to allow a monument sign as presented; 7ft. x 16ft. Bob Cook seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Bob Cook made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman Schnarr. Motion carried 4-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Jerry Uebelhor, Chairman

Josh Gunselman, Secretary

Kathy M. Pfister, Recording Secretary